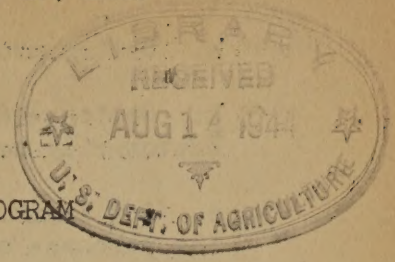


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SECOND COTTON BAGGING FOR COTTON BALES PROGRAM  
(Fiscal Year 1942)

OFFER OF THE SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE

The Secretary of Agriculture of the United States (hereinafter referred to as the Secretary), pursuant to clause (2) of Section 32, Public Law No. 320, 74th Congress, as amended, will make payments, subject to the conditions hereinafter set forth, to approved applicants (hereinafter referred to as the seller), who will divert cotton from the normal channels of trade and commerce by manufacturing, or causing to be manufactured, patterns made of cotton bagging for use as coverings for cotton bales and by selling such patterns to eligible purchasers.

1. Patterns must be manufactured in the United States from cotton (including spinnable cotton waste) grown in the United States.
2. The rate of payment to be made by the Secretary will be 35 cents per pattern.
3. Cotton patterns must be either:
  - a. Sold or contracted for sale to eligible purchasers not earlier than the date of approval of the application and not later than June 30, 1942, and manufactured and delivered to eligible purchasers or to a carrier for shipment to eligible purchasers not later than December 31, 1942, unless the latter time is extended by the Secretary or his authorized representative; or
  - b. Manufactured not earlier than the date of approval of the application and not later than June 30, 1942, and sold or contracted for sale and delivered to eligible purchasers or to a carrier for shipment to eligible purchasers not later than December 31, 1942, unless the latter time is extended by the Secretary or his authorized representative.



4. As used herein, "eligible purchasers" means:

- a. Cotton producers and cotton ginners;
- b. Cottonseed oil mills and any individual, firm, or organization customarily handling coverings for cotton bales;
- c. Any individual, firm, or organization which, at the time of the purchase of cotton bagging, presents to the seller a statement under oath to the effect that such individual, firm, or organization has an order or orders for the sale of such bagging to cotton producers, cotton ginners, or cottonseed oil mills; and
- d. Such other individuals, firms, or organizations as the Secretary or his authorized representatives may approve.

The certificate of a State Director of Extension, a State Commissioner of Agriculture (or State officials performing similar functions), a County Agricultural Agent, or any representative designated by the Secretary for that purpose, that any individual, firm, or organization is a cotton producer, cotton ginner, or cottonseed oil mill, or that any individual, firm, or organization customarily handles coverings for cotton bales shall, for the purposes hereof, be sufficient evidence as to the facts set forth.

5. Sellers must sell patterns, complying with the specifications set forth in section 7 hereof, to eligible purchasers at not to exceed the following basic rates:

If sold to eligible purchasers as described in section 4, paragraph a, \$1.10 per pattern.

If sold to eligible purchasers as described in section 4, paragraphs b, c, or d, \$1.00 per pattern.

The above prices shall be basis f. o. b. carrier-named point, cash on delivery: Provided, however, That, in the discretion of the seller, sales to eligible purchasers may also be made on other terms based on such prices per pattern, and additional charges may be made in connection with such other terms, and the seller shall be entitled to receive payments from the Secretary in connection with such sales.

6. As used herein, "pattern" means cotton bagging which meets the specifications hereinafter set forth or other specifications approved by the Secretary or his authorized representative.

If other specifications are approved, such new specifications shall not be applicable to patterns manufactured prior to such change in specifications. New specifications may be made applicable to patterns

to be manufactured pursuant to applications theretofore approved only if (a) the new specifications so provide, and (b) the seller holding the approved applications shall consent thereto.

7. Specifications for patterns, which may be referred to as Cotton Bagging Specifications A, are:

- a. A pattern shall consist of two strips.
- b. Yarn requirements:
  - (1) The yarns may be single or plied.
  - (2) Sizing: No sizing shall be applied to yarn.
- c. Detailed requirements of the fabric:
  - (1) Weave: The weave shall be plain.
  - (2) Sizing: No sizing shall be applied to fabric.
  - (3) Width: The width shall be 45 inches.
  - (4) Weight: The weight shall be 2.25 pounds per strip.
  - (5) Construction:
    - (a) Warp: The fabric shall contain 132 ends in 12 inches.
    - (b) Filling: The fabric shall contain 72 picks in 12 inches.
  - (6) Strength: The fabric shall have an average breaking strength of 275 pounds in the warp and 150 pounds in the filling.
  - (7) Length of strip: The cut size of the strip shall be 114 inches long, measured at the selvage.
- d. Tolerances:
  - (1) Width of the fabric: Any plus tolerance and a minus tolerance of one inch will be permitted.
  - (2) Length of strip: A plus or minus tolerance of 2-3/4 inches will be permitted.
  - (3) Weight: A plus or minus tolerance of seven percent will be permitted.



(4) Thread count:

(a) Warp: A plus or minus tolerance of three threads per 12 inches will be permitted.

(b) Filling: A plus or minus tolerance of two threads per 12 inches will be permitted.

(5) Strength of fabric: Any plus tolerance but no minus tolerance will be permitted.

e. Method of testing:

(1) Tests for breaking strength shall be made by the grab method, with the following exceptions:

(a) The face of one jaw of each pair shall be one inch by three inches; that of the other jaw of each pair shall measure one inch by three or more inches, the long dimension being perpendicular to the direction of application of the load.

(b) The distance between the two pairs of jaws shall be seven inches at the start of the test.

(c) The sample to be tested shall measure 10 inches by 12 inches.

(2) Except as otherwise indicated, Federal Specification CCC-T-191, Testiles: Test Methods, of the issue in effect on the date of this offer, wherever practicable, shall be followed.

f. Distinctive marking: A seller may identify bagging made by or for him by means of one or more strands of distinctive colored yarn, by variation in the number of threads in the selvage, or by marking in the selvage or in any other manner approved by the Secretary or his authorized representative.

8. Sampling.--Not less than one sample, at least one yard in length and the full width of the fabric, shall be taken from each six thousand yards of bagging or fraction thereof: Provided, however, That if any separate mill run does not exceed sixty thousand yards, not less than one 1-yard sample for each two thousand yards of such run or fraction thereof shall be taken when a representative or agent of the Secretary so directs.

9. Packaging and marking.--At the time of manufacture all patterns shall be securely packaged and marked with a name or other mark by



which the seller may be identified, the quantity of patterns contained therein, and a serial number or other symbol by which the individual packages can be identified.

10. Inspection.-- During the manufacture of the fabric and before the patterns are packed for shipment, the establishment of the manufacturer shall be open to a representative or agent of the Secretary for observation of the materials used and for inspection of the fabric, including inspection by passing the fabric over an inspection machine or table before cutting.

In order that inspection may be provided, sellers should notify the Secretary or his authorized representative before beginning the manufacture of patterns. Such notice should include the name and location of the plant, the probable date of manufacture, and anticipated volume of production.

11. The sale and delivery of patterns manufactured prior to the date of the approval of the application shall entitle the seller to receive payments: Provided, That--

a. Such patterns are sold and delivered to eligible purchasers, or delivered to a carrier for shipment to eligible purchasers, not later than June 30, 1942, and not earlier than the date of approval of the application.

b. The seller, after the date of the approval of the application and prior to claiming payment, shall have manufactured a quantity of replacement cotton bagging for cotton bales at least equal in total weight to the total weight of the quantity of patterns sold from stock and for which payment is claimed; such weights shall be computed on the basis of the specified weight per pattern without regard for tolerances, and 4-1/2 pounds per pattern, respectively.

c. The replacement bagging so manufactured shall be in accordance with the specifications herein set forth or in accordance with other specifications approved in connection with this offer prior to the manufacture of such patterns.

d. The seller is to receive no payment from the Secretary pursuant to the provisions hereof in connection with the manufacture, sale, and delivery of such replacement patterns.

12. No seller shall be entitled to payments unless he has submitted an "Application" in connection with the "Second Cotton Bagging for Cotton Bales Program (Fiscal Year 1942)," and the Secretary or his authorized representative has, pursuant to the terms and conditions



set forth in such application and in this offer, approved such application. Such application may be approved for the maximum quantity therein set forth or for any part thereof, but shall not be approved for any quantity less than the minimum indicated by the applicant. No payments will be made on any quantity of patterns in excess of the number for which an application is approved. More than the one application may be approved for the same applicant. The right is reserved to reject any or all applications.

13. No seller shall be entitled to payments in connection with the manufacture, sale, and delivery of any particular patterns unless he shall submit in connection therewith, on or before February 15, 1943, or during any extensions of such time made by the Secretary or his authorized representative, a claim in voucher form and shall furnish to the Secretary or to his authorized representative or agent, such information as may be requested for the purpose of enabling him to determine the extent to which there has been compliance with the conditions of this offer, and the proper payment to be made; and the seller shall make available to the Secretary or to his authorized representative or agent, for the purpose of verifying such information, any pertinent books, records, memoranda, documents, papers, and correspondence of the seller or of the seller's agents or representatives which the Secretary or his representative or agent may request. The determination of the Secretary as to pertinency shall be final.

Any part or parts of the quantity of patterns covered by an approved application may be separately delivered and the Secretary will make payments in connection with such patterns in the same manner as if the total quantity of patterns covered by such application had been delivered.

14. The Secretary reserves the right to terminate this offer at any time by giving public notice thereof. Such termination shall not affect any payments to be made pursuant to any application theretofore approved by the Secretary or his authorized representative.

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